

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Pursuant to 38 C.F.R. 1.121(b), the Applicant requests that the below-identified paragraph from the specification be replaced as indicated:

Replace the fourth paragraph beginning on line 17, page 6 with the following paragraph:

--The float ring 4 is formed from closed-cell polyethylene foam ~~and may be constructed from a pre-cut strip of said foam~~ that is heat sealed end-to-end to provide an inner diameter d . ~~One skilled in the art will understand that alternative foam construction methods are available such as molding or die cutting from raw foam sheet material.~~ The bowl of planter 16 is sized to nest inside the inner diameter d of ring 4, and is slidably inserted into float ring 4 until the collar of planter 16 abuts the float ring 4 (as shown), and planter 16 is then partially filled to a predetermined depth (as will be described) with a fill 20 mix 7, 8. The fill mix may be topped with other decorative materials such as gravel or wood pellets for aesthetic purposes. The fill mix preferably comprises a blend of calcined montmorillonite clay substrate and potting soil as will be described. However, one skilled in the art should understand that a similar effect may be achieved with other mixes such as regular garden dirt and other substrates.—